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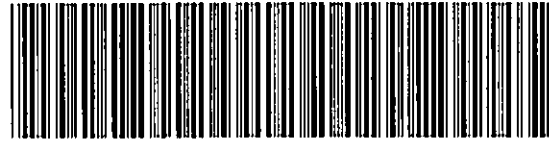
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SUBJECT: **NBV REEF AQUARIUM, INC.**

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00  
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Filing Fee &  
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☐ \$78.75  
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FROM: **Kirk Dotson, PhD**

Name (Printed or typed)

**701 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. # 905**

Address

**Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304**

City, State & Zip

**310-561-5548**

Daytime Telephone number

**kirkwdotson@gmail.com**

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

**ARTICLE I      NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be: NBV REEF AQUARIUM, INC.

**ARTICLE II      PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

Principal street address:  
701 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. #905  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

Mailing address, if different is:

**ARTICLE III      PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is: \*PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT\*

**ARTICLE IV      MANNER OF ELECTION**

The manner in which the directors are elected and appointed:

Shall be set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE V      INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS**

Name and Title: Kirk Dotson, PhD - Dir. & President

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 701 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. #905  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title: Simone P. Dotson - Dir. & VP

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 701 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. #905  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title: Scott Sheckman - Dir. & Secretary

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 527 NE 16th Street  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name and Title: Melissa Sathe - Director

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 10733 Lisbon Street  
Cooper City, FL 33026

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title: David Vance - Director

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 3209 NE 36th Street, #6  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**ARTICLE VI REGISTERED AGENT**

The name and Florida street address (P.O. Box NOT acceptable) of the registered agent is:

Name: Kirk Dotson, PhD

Address: 701 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. #905

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

**ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR**

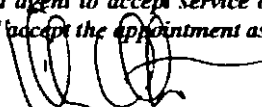
The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Name: Kirk Dotson, PhD

Address: 701 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. #905

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

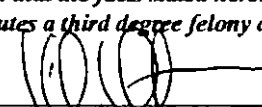
*Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity*

  
Required Signature of Registered Agent (Kirk Dotson)

Sept. 28, 2020

Date

*I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.*

  
Required Signature of Incorporator (Kirk Dotson)

Sept. 28, 2020

Date

**Attachment to the**  
**Articles of Incorporation for:**  
**NBV REEF AQUARIUM, INC.**

**ARTICLE III (Purpose):**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is: Exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Additionally, the charitable purpose is primarily environmental educational and conservation as defined in Florida Statute 496.404.

**Primary business activity of said organization:** To help raise awareness, appreciation, and further understandings of Florida's natural coral reef ecosystems and living reefs found around the Earth. The organization will utilize a variety of education & outreach tools and resources made accessible to local residents and visitors, including the exhibition and research of permitted living specimens in actively-managed tanks/aquariums of various sizes. The facility is also anticipated to offer the option of on-shore nursery space for indigenous corals and creatures that may be in need. Reef species defined as invasive and non-indigenous to the Florida coastal waters may also be part of the living exhibits.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.